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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1166*

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

Section 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-3-610, is amended by deleting subsections (b) and (c) in their entireties and by substituting instead the following:

(b) In addition to contempt as provided in subsection (a), it is an offense to knowingly violate an order of protection or a court-approved consent agreement.

(c) In addition to the punishment authorized by this section, the judge may assess any person who violates an order of protection or a court-approved consent agreement a civil penalty of fifty dollars (\$50.00). The judge may further order that any support payment made pursuant to an order of protection or a court-approved consent agreement be made under an income assignment of the clerk of the court.

(d) Upon collecting the civil penalty imposed by subsection (c), the clerk shall, on a monthly basis, send the money to the state treasurer, who shall deposit it in the domestic violence community education fund created by § 36-3-616.

(e) A violation of subsection (b) is a Class A misdemeanor if the defendant violates those provisions within an order of protection or court-approved consent agreement granted for the purpose of protecting the petitioner or the petitioner's minor children from abuse or threatened abuse.

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Section 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-3-612, is amended by deleting the language "A person arrested for this part" and by substituting instead the language "A person arrested for violation of a protective order under § 36-3-610(a)".

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1997, the public welfare requiring it.

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